

# **SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION ON DISABILITIES AND SPECIAL NEEDS**

## **MINUTES**

November 9, 2010

The South Carolina Commission on Disabilities and Special Needs met on Tuesday, November 9, 2010, at 1:30 PM at the Department of Disabilities and Special Needs Central Office, 3440 Harden Street Extension, Columbia, South Carolina.

The following were in attendance:

### **COMMISSION**

#### **Present:**

Rick Huntress, Chairman  
Deborah McPherson, Vice Chairman  
Otis Speight, Secretary  
Nancy Banov

#### **Absent:**

Bobby Harrell  
Kelly Hanson Floyd

### **DDSN Administrative Staff**

Dr. Buscemi, State Director; Mr. Tom Waring, Associate State Director, Administration; Mr. David Goodell, Associate State Director, Operations; Dr. Kathi Lacy, Associate State Director, Policy; Mrs. Tana Vanderbilt, General Counsel (For other Administrative Staff see Attachment 1 – Sign In Sheet).

### **Guests**

(See Attachment 1 Sign-In Sheet)

### **Coastal Regional Center (via videoconference)**

(See Attachment 2 Coastal Sign-In Sheet)

### **Pee Dee Regional Center (via videoconference)**

(See Attachment 3 Pee Dee Regional Sign-In Sheet)

### **Whitten Center (via videoconference)**

(See Attachment 4 Whitten Center Sign-In Sheet)

### **York County DSN Board (via videoconference)**

(See Attachment 5 York County Sign-In Sheet)

News Release of Meeting

Mr. Rick Huntress, Chairman, called the meeting to order. Dr. Otis Speight read a statement of announcement about the meeting that had been mailed to the appropriate media, interested persons, and posted at the Central Office and on the website in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act.

Invocation

Dr. Speight gave the invocation.

Adoption of the Agenda

Without objection, the Commission moved to adopt the agenda as shown. (Attachment A)

Approval of the Minutes of the September 16, 2010 Meeting

Without objection, the Commission moved to accept the October 21, 2010 minutes as given.

Public Input

Mrs. Kathleen Roberts of Newberry, South Carolina and Mrs. Mary Stanton of Johns Island, South Carolina spoke at the Commission Meeting.

Report from DSN Boards

Mr. Rick Magner spoke on behalf of the SC Human Service Providers Association.

Report from Consumer Assessment Team Division

Ms. Belle Mead Cooper, Director of the Consumer Assessment Team gave a report about the division.

New Business – Berkeley County Property Issue

Mr. Waring reported the SC Department of Transportation (SCDOT) is preparing to widen the highway which will affect the property of two ICFs/MR located in Berkeley County. The SCDOT has offered a fair negotiated price of \$8,000.00 for the affected property. They will also build an eight-foot fence along the property and provide landscaping to protect the consumers. The proposed amount will be submitted to the Budget and Control Board (B&CB) at their December meeting, if the Commission approves this property transaction. The \$8,000.00 would be divided between DDSN and the B&CB. Mr. Waring

recommended DDSN accept the \$8,000.00 offer. Without objection, the Commission accepted the proposal recommended by Mr. Waring.

#### New Business – Consideration of Bid/Pee Dee Dorms

Mr. Waring presented information on bids for kitchen renovations and tile repair in various dormitories at the Pee Dee Center. It was recommended the project be awarded to Carolina Construction, Inc., of Cheraw, South Carolina in the amount of \$115,685.00. Without objection, the Commission approved to award the contract as presented. (Attachment B)

#### Unfinished Business – BabyNet

Dr. Buscemi reported that First Steps and DDSN have not come to a mutual agreement regarding the contract. The First Steps board meets tomorrow and DDSN hopes to have something between now and the December Commission Meeting. Discussion followed. Dr. Buscemi stated DDSN needs Commission approval to continue services to the BabyNet children with only one delay. On motion of Dr. Speight, seconded and passed, the Commission approved to allow DDSN to continue services as they are now until January 1, 2011 on the understanding DDSN will not accept financial liability if program continues under DDSN.

#### State Director's Report

Dr. Buscemi provided a report on travel expenditures by state agency from the Comptroller's Office. This report showed that DDSN ranked 80<sup>th</sup> out of 110 agencies, which speaks very well of DDSN's efforts to control costs.

Dr. Buscemi stated a Behavior Support Provider taskforce has been formed to discuss the entire process, not just quality assurance. The first meeting is scheduled for November 15, 2010.

Dr. Buscemi reported the Consumer Assessment Team received a 100 percent compliance review by DHHS' Quality Improvement Organization which speaks well of DHHS' confidence in DDSN and our ability to perform ICF/MR level of care evaluations for many of their recipients.

Dr. Buscemi reported she has met with the Advisory Group and the Provider Group regarding the budget. Both groups were provided with categorized budget reduction sheets and were asked to get feedback from their groups. An updated version of budget reductions will be forthcoming in the next few months.

Dr. Buscemi reported that CMS did not accept our proposal regarding the 50/50 versus 70/30 administrative costs. DDSN has officially requested

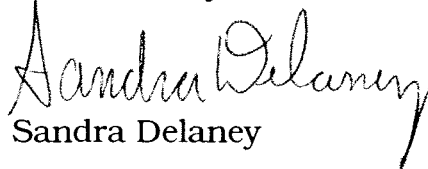
an extension of the January 1, 2011 timeline. DDSN is working with DHHS and CMS to come up with another proposal.

Dr. Buscemi stated DHHS alerted DDSN this morning that they will ask permission to declare a deficit. There is a \$228 million short fall this year in state funds. What affects DHHS may affect DDSN. We may be asked some questions and will prepare some fiscal information so we will be prepared.

The Commission agreed that the regular Commission Meeting would remain on December 16, 2010 and begin at 10:30 a.m.

The meeting was adjourned by Mr. Huntress.

Submitted by,

  
Sandra Delaney

Approved:

  
Dr. Otis Speight  
Secretary

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**A G E N D A**

**South Carolina Department of Disabilities and Special Needs  
3440 Harden Street Extension  
Conference Room 251  
Columbia, South Carolina**

**November 9, 2010**

**1:30 PM**

1. Notice of Meeting Statement *Commissioner Otis Speight*
2. Invocation *Commissioner Otis Speight*
3. Introduction of Guests
4. Adoption of Agenda
5. Approval of the Minutes of the October 21, 2010 Meeting
6. Public Input
7. Report from DSN Boards *Mr. Rick Magner*
8. Report from Consumer Assessment Team Division *Ms. Belle Mead Cooper*
9. New Business:
  - A. Berkeley County Property Issue *Mr. Tom Waring*
  - B. Consideration of Bid/Pee Dee Dorms *Mr. Tom Waring*
10. Unfinished Business:
  - A. BabyNet *Mr. David Goodell*
11. State Director's Report
12. Next Regular Meeting Date (December 9, 2010)/Location

**PLEASE SILENCE CELL PHONES DURING THE MEETING. THANK YOU.**

**CONSIDERATION OF BID**

**PEE DEE CENTER – KITCHEN RENOVATIONS & TILE REPAIR**

**J16-9830-CA-A**

The project scope is to replace kitchen cabinets and countertops in 8 dormitories, and to make minor ceramic tile repairs in several dormitory bathrooms. The specific dorms are Pecan Dorms 203, 204 and 205 and Mulberry Dorms 301, 302, 304, 305 and 306 at the Pee Dee Center.

It is recommended that a contract be awarded for the base bid amount: to **CAROLINA CONSTRUCTION, INC., OF CHERAW, SOUTH CAROLINA** in the amount of **\$ 115,685.00**. While no problem is anticipated, permission is requested to award to the second low bidder should the low bidder be determined non-responsive or non-responsible.

**Base Bid:** **\$ 115,685.00**

**Contract Amount:** **\$ 115,685.00**

ATTACHMENT: BID TABULATION

FUNDS: Debt Service

**Bid Date:** November 2, 2010

Date: November 2, 2010

PROJECT NO.:  
PROJECT NAME:  
PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

J16-9830-CA  
Pee Dee Center  
Kitchen Renovations & Tile Repair  
Goform, Brown & Associates Inc  
Tuesday, 11/2/2010  
2:00:00 PM  
Central Office, Suite 231

Engineering and Planning  
3440 Harden St. Extension Columbia, SC 29203  
Phone: (803) 898-9796  
Fax: (803) 898-9653



BID TABULATION

CONTRACTOR NAME	BID SEC	ADD No.	BASE BID NO. 1	SUBCONTRACTORS
1 Carolina Construction Inc. P. O. Box 969 Cheraw, SC 29520 (843) 537-5506 (843) 537-5535 Billy McBride, Vice President scfirst@bellsouth.net LICENSE NO. G-12259	✓	✓	\$115,665.00	
2 Dempsey Construction Company P. O. Box 1372 Hartsville, SC 29551 (843) 332-6466 (843) 332-1841 Todd Ousley todd.ousley@dempseyconstruction.com LICENSE NO. G11993	✓	✓	\$132,500.00	Wagner Brothers Cabinetry Solid Surfaces Inc
3 Ascent Construction Co., Inc. P. O. Box 3589 Murrells Inlet, SC 29576 (843) 652-4900 Carman K. David, President LICENSE NO. G112903	✓	✓	\$139,000.00	Ascent Construction Inc
4 J.C. Construction, Inc. 397 Hwy 601 S Lugoff, SC 29076 (803) 438-6411 (803) 438-6596 Laverne Adams, President ericwinson.jc@earthlink.net LICENSE NO. G10936	✓	✓	\$149,960.00	J.C. Construction Inc

Project Manager: *Joey Goform* AIA  
Witness: *Shirley Wilson*

## Attachment 1

## Guest Registration Sheet

### Name and Organization

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| 1.  | RICHARDS WNEA         | DDSN                             |
| 2.  | Kelly Marti-          | PGA                              |
| 3.  | Belle Mead Cooper     | DDSN                             |
| 4.  | KEVIN ACDBI           | DDSN                             |
| 5.  | Leanne Johnston       | SCHSP                            |
| 6.  | Ann Dalton            | SCDDSN                           |
| 7.  | Janet Thicket         | DDSN                             |
| 8.  | Ralph Canty           | ACB                              |
| 9.  | Linda Veldheer        | DDSN.                            |
| 10. | Lisa Webb             | DDSN                             |
| 11. | Dike Moss             | Calhoun DSNB                     |
| 12. | Rich Wagner           | Human Service Practitioner       |
| 13. | Betty-Routh Steele    | Salisbury Parent Council         |
| 14. | KATHLEEN ROBERTS      | SCPPD-WITTEN CENTER PARENTS CLUB |
| 15. | Stephanie Williams    | Cullen DSNB                      |
| 16. | Mary Stanton          | PADD & PGA                       |
| 17. | Charles L. McLaughlin | Voice and SC Brain Injury        |
| 18. | Linda Bodiford        | Coastal Center PGA               |
| 19. | LINDA LEE             | PADD/WCPC                        |
| 20. | Donna H Hall          | Babcock Center                   |



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## Commission Meeting

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### Guest Registration Sheet

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| 21. | Shondala Hall  | DDSN                 |
| 22. | PSayers        | DDSN                 |
| 23. | Sherry Larson  | Family Connection    |
| 24. | Dawn Reed      | Columbia County BASW |
| 25. | Joyce Davis    | BIASC                |
| 27. | Diane Eppley   | SCSCIA               |
| 28. | George WAKY    | DHHS                 |
| 29. | Daniel Davis   | DDIN                 |
| 30. | Janet Laurence | BIASC                |
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Attachment 4

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1. Elaine M Thema PEVDSN
2. PAT FAGAN JEDSN - DIST. 1 OFFICE
3. Jimmy BURTON BURTON CENTER
4. John N. King DDSN
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2. Tanice Fowler YCBDSN
3. Michelle Shaffer YCBDSN
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